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SUBJECT: UK RESPONSE: U.S. NON-PAPER ON DISSUADING ABUSE OF
THE NPT WITHDRAWAL PROVISION

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(SBU) Poloff delivered reftel non-paper to Nick Low, Head of the Nuclear Issues Section in the Counter-Proliferation Department of the Foreign and Commonwealth Office (FCO), on December 17. On December 30, Low told Poloff that he and fellow FCO colleagues agreed that the non-paper looked fine and added that the UK is grateful to Washington for taking on board the comments the UK made on the earlier draft of the non-paper. Low also told Poloff that the FCO Legal Adviser is "content" with the non-paper. Low expressed HMG's continued commitment to working with the U.S. on all NPT-related issues in the lead up to the NPT Review Conference next May.

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